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Applicant : Eli Levy ) Group Art Unit: 2141  
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Examiner : Quang N. Nguyen )

AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed on December 20, 2002, please reconsider the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

*Replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 28, with the following paragraph:*

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--The present invention overcomes the above and other problems by setting up the automated agents (agent computers and software) in one or more centralized locations or "data centers" rather than deploying the agents at each of the desired PoPs. The message traffic (HTTP requests, etc.) generated by the centrally located agents is transmitted over special links to the desired Internet connection points (referred to as "virtual points or presence"), which are typically geographically remote from the agents. Upon reaching the virtual points of presence, the message traffic flows onto the Internet. The client requests appear to the servers to emanate from users that are local to the virtual PoPs. Because there is no need to deploy and maintain

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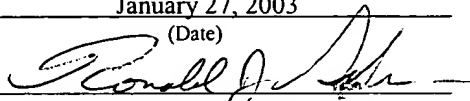
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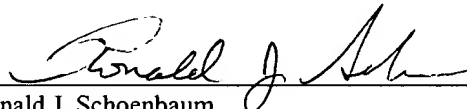
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